# Ashish Ranjan Karn

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#### EDUCATION

## Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur

Master's & Bachelor's in Electrical Engineering (Signal Processing), CGPA: 8.54/10

Kharagpur, India July 2012 – May 2017

#### Delhi Public School RK Puram

Senior Secondary (CBSE), Marks: 93%

Delhi, India July 2010 – May 2012

### EXPERIENCE

#### Grab Holdings Inc.

Singapore

Lead Data Scientist (earlier Senior Data Scientist), Grab Food

Oct 2019 - Present

- Part of the team responsible for enabling Machine learning capabilities, building predictive models and ETL Pipelines; collaborating with internal stakeholders, PMs, POs during various phases of a project.
- Leading food delivery ETA/Food prep time prediction framework; helped to improve total ETA prediction accuracy from 72% to 81% by implementing Dynamic batching buffer model using real-time signals, weather signals etc, capturing driver supply demand characteristics; improved Food Preparation time (FPT) prediction from 62% to 77% further improving use-cases like MOR, delay order allocation, Self-pickup orders ETA, Mex quality score etc.
- Developed model to automatically detect service hour changes in restaurant which led to minimize order cancellations due to restaurant closure by 20%. Also worked on DRM model which helps in auto-close the restaurant for the day if restaurant is closed but marked as open on merchant app thus reducing cancellations.
- Led AWS cloud cost optimization initiative; Implemented caching, migrated existing modelservings to custom serving infra (Kubernetes), python based Falcon servers to golang based microservices with higher concurrency.
- o Tech stack: PySpark/Spark, Python, SQL, GoLang, Airflow, AWS infra, MLFlow, Kubernetes, Datadog

#### SAP Labs Pvt. Ltd.

Bangalore, India

Data Scientist, Innovative Business Solutions (IBSo)

July 2017 - Sept 2019

- $\circ$  Solution developer for a customer project on scheduling Rigs for oil wells' maintenance; objective was to maximize oil production gain, taking into account several industry constraints; custom optimization algorithm was modeled in Python and HANA-SQL increasing the oil production by 6.2%.
- Developed a time-series forecasting API to forecast consumption of retail products with a dynamic safety stock band for inventory replenishment; achieved average forecast MAPE of 8% using XGBoost and ARIMA.
- Developed an image classification model for online fashion store client; multi-label classification belonging to 350 classes and a million sample input; fine tuned CNN with 16 layers to achieve hamming score of 65%.

#### Relevant Projects

- Master's Thesis: Classification and Prediction of brain injury from heterogeneous biomedical data
  - Prediction of behavioral change with MRI data; used boosted and stacked Random Forest models.
  - $\circ\,$  Predicting medical efficacy and improvement in patients using statistical measures.
- Built WebUI for Face recognition and tracking of known faces from CCTV security cameras live video stream using face similarity matching using Python and SAP Cloud platform.
- Developed flask based Python chatbot for reporting queries from database based on Google DialogFlow and Recast.AI.

### PATENTS

- US20210095559A1[Granted] Workover rig scheduling to maximize oil production for onshore oil fields
- [Pending] Dynamic Padding Buffer Time Optimisation for Food ETA Prediction
- [Pending] A real-time Reinforcement Learning Framework for food ETA Prediction

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS

- Languages/Platforms: Python, SQL, C++, Golang, Perl, MATLAB, AWS, Azure services, SAP Cloud Platform
- Software Packages: Apache Spark, Apache Airflow, TensorFlow, Keras, MLFlow, SAP HANA
- Knowledge Areas: Machine Learning, Statistics, Deep Learning, Time-series forecasting
- Certifications: Microsoft Certified Azure Data Scientist

Neural Networks and Deep Learning by deeplearning.ai on Coursera

Other relevant certifications link